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COLUMBIA.

Dr. L. James Johnson, pastor of Paynes Chapel East Nashville and ex-pastor of St. Paul of this city preached at Bethel church, South Glade St. Sunday, May 20th. Dr. Johnson preached a powerful sermon. Subsequent to a large congregation. The following ministers were in the rostrum and took part in the service: Revs. G. W. Perry, S. S. Cumby and J. E. Johnson. These services closed the Spring Rally of Bethel Church. Dr. W. Henderson Young, Pastor, Rev. J. C. Lawrence continues in very poor health and is confined at his home in West end. Mrs. Margaret Cheers of Murfreesboro appeared in a recital at St. Paul last Tuesday night. It was a rare treat to those who availed themselves to hear her. She was assisted on the program by the choir and solos by Mrs. Johnson of Chicago and Mr. Mason and Miss Taylor. Invitations have been extended here to the Johnson-Holt marriage in Athens, Ala. Miss Holt will be very pleasantly remembered as the house guest of Mrs. Lula McGee last summer. She made many friends while here. Mrs. Harriet King of East 8th St., left last week for Cincinnati, Ohio to make that city her home. Mrs. Burrell Morrell of Pulaski attended the Silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Morrell, May 18th. Mrs. W. H. Ogleton went to Nashville last week for an indefinite stay. The remains of Mr. Edmon Irvin were brought here from Chicago May 21st and conveyed to Bethel A. M. E. church where his funeral was preached. Mr. Irvin lived here for many years before going to Chicago. Mr. A. L. Fuller of the 25th Infantry, U. S. Army now stationed on the Hawaiian Islands is visiting his parents at Nashville. While there he paid a flying trip to Columbia last week, the guest of Miss M. E. Bradshaw.

BRENTWOOD.

Sunday School and Church services were good Sunday at Mt. Lebanon. Rev. T. W. Prim preached for us at the morning services, and at the evening services, one of our young preachers, Brother Will Moore preached, the pastor concluding at night. Rev. J. M. Lawrence of the A. M. E. church was introduced and preached from the 8th chapter of Jeremiah, and 7th verse. Subject, "Yea, the stork in the heavens knoweth her appointed time." The Pastor, Rev. I. S. Davis concluded. Mrs. Oscar Owens presided at the organ. Collection for the day and night, \$28.80. Miss Martha and Miss Bura Herbert and their two brothers were here Friday and Sunday, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Owens. Mr. Will Thompson and Miss Willie Parish were united in the holy bonds of matrimony at Mt. Lebanon Sunday night. Rev. I. S. Davis officiating. A gospel feast is on at Brooks Chapel M. E. Church for Thursday night. If there is any one hungry for the gospel, do not miss this meeting for several menus will be served. Brother R. E. Hunt, Superintendent of Mt. Lebanon Sunday School is putting forth his every effort to prepare his school for the Sunday School Congress that will be in June 13th to 18th. And our May Flower entertainment was a success, May 17th. One of the most grand school turnouts was at the Davidson County School at the M. E. Church Thursday night, May 16th. Miss Bessie Johnson was the teacher.

ANTIOCH.

Quarterly Conference was held at Solomon Chapel, A. M. E. Church Saturday and Sunday. Rev. G. L. Jackson, Presiding Elder. Sunday being Mother's Day, was carried out at Hall's Memorial Baptist Church. Rev. J. H. Harding pastor. A paper was read by Mrs. Alice Hall. The sermon was preached by Rev. J. L. Webb. Collection, two dollars and ten cents. Payne's Chapel Sunday School is moving along nicely. Miss Clara Qualls won the prize for attending Sunday School for four Sundays in succession, presented by Mr. Jerry Foster, the Superintendent. Berry-picking is the day around Antioch and vicinity. Miss Ophelia and Myra Blair visited Nashville Saturday. Mrs. Mattie Foster and daughter, Mary Ella are spending the summer in Louisville, Ky., with their son and brother, Mr. Joseph Foster. Mrs. Julia Brew and son Ollie Begley, are liking Louisville fine. The wind is still coming from the north. Not much crop this year. Miss Mollie Barnes is in doubt of getting promoted this year. Mr. John Blair and daughter are contemplating spending a few days in Nashville and oh, joy, what a happy time is in store for them. Mr. Douglass Barnes, picked one gallon and one quart of berries Tuesday and he was the proudest little fellow. Miss Mary Mabry has returned home from the A. and I. State Normal School and report a pleasant stay. Miss Mattie Burnette received her free school certificate Thursday presented to her by Mrs. Alice Hall. Mrs. Queenie Hollins closed school Thursday and was so very glad to see so many of her pupils promoted. Mrs. Ida Lewis still believes in washing and ironing. Mrs. Mahalle Barnes says the berry patch is for her, flour is so high folks will have to be turned against it. Mrs. Lelah Begley certainly has one manly boy and that is John Wesley. Miss Annie Coleman is so sorry that she did not take all of her examination and get promoted.

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reports a grand years work. Supt. C. H. Simmons' of the Solomon Chapel Sunday School is making the necessary preparation for Children's Day. Miss Esther Majors was the guest of Miss Evelyn Foster, Sunday. On Saturday night, May 27th, will be the big Mayflower entertainment at Mr. R. I. Foster's. The delegates elected for the District Conference at the 3rd quarterly meeting were Mr. John Rucker, for the Stewards, S. A. Peebles, for the Sunday School, Mrs. Allen Fanning, Stewardess Board, Mrs. Belle Cannon, for Womans Missionary Society, Miss M. Burnett, for A. C. E. League. Mr. Allen Searcy was a pleasant caller at the home of his son, Mr. Vann Searcy, last Sunday. The writer of these notes worshipped at Pattons Chapel, last Sunday. Prof. Ira T. Bryant, Rev. S. F. Majors, P. E. G. L. Jackson, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Foster, Sunday, May 13.

NATIONAL NEWS NOTES.

Brief Bits of News and Comments on Men and Measures.

CONFERENCE TAKES UP QUESTION OF WAR PROHIBITION.

Reported by the Associated Press

New York, May 21.—A Conference on Prohibition during the war was held here today between a committee of sixty, representing the Council of National Defense and representative of the United States Brewer's Association. The brewers reminded members of the Council that the brewers had placed themselves unreservedly at the president's service and added: "They are prepared to make any sacrifice for the country's sake that competent authority after investigation may demand. They insist that any attempt to force the administration into radical action without due inquiry and consideration in order to exploit a favorite theory is not only mischievous but decidedly unpatriotic."

The theory alluded to, the brewers said, was that the brewing industry was using up a large proportion of the nation's cereals. In presenting their statement the brewers said they were "well aware that the committee of sixty is a prohibition body, sedulously seeking to bring about the adoption of that sys-

tem as a war measure despite the fact that, as its letters show, it is not in possession of complete information on the subject."

LITTLE FOODSTUFF USED.

The brewers told the committee their actual consumption of foodstuffs last year was less than 46,000,000 bushels of grain. They added that based upon the government's estimate of a 1917 production of 50,000,000 barrels of beer proposed federal liquor taxes would yield more than \$137,500,000.

The statement pointed out that the brewers' cooked grain that is turned over for feeding of cattle, stimulates the flow of milk.

"It would be reasonable to suppose," the statement says, "that one result which would follow the stoppage of brewing would be an increase in the price of milk in many cities." It points out further that the European nations at war serve rations of beer or light wines to their troops "Showing that they regard the light alcoholic in some form as a necessity."

"There are evidences," the statement concludes, "that there is much corn still held on the farms in this country because of the difficulty in transporting it to market. It must be plain from this and other circumstances that the chief problem in regard to the food supply relates to transportation and the prevention of speculation."

Progress And the Negro.

Detroit Free Press, May 22.—It takes years for great movements to produce visible results. In the South a gregarious, pleasure-loving, improvident race has seemed to be but slightly affected by the economic and industrial changes of the time. The Negro has been the unskilled laborer, the poor tenant farmer, raising his bale or two of cotton and turning it over to the local buyer in liquidation of his debt for the year's living expenses. Tuskegee, Calhoun and Hampton are producing a class trained in trades, efficiency and initiative, whose influence is a leaven slowly permeating the mass for industrial uplift and awakening in the Negro a sense of his economic value. The labor shortage has been an advantage to him. Seven thousand Negroes applied to the Federal Department of Labor last year in regard to opportunities for employment; testimony to the spread of industrial education.

Miss Kate M. Shelton Answers Call.

Sad indeed were the funeral services held over the remains of Miss Kate M. Shelton at the home of her parents on the White Crooks Pike.

For a long number of years Miss Shelton was foreman of the Stenographic department of the National Baptist Publishing Board on 2nd Ave. N. Hers was a truly lovely and Christian spirit, and those who worked with her so long were very sad when the news of her death reached them. The funeral services were attended by Rev. W. S. Ellington, pastor of the First Baptist Church, El Nashville Dr. W. M. Haynes, pastor of the Spruce Street Baptist Church, Rev. S. H. Jones, pastor of the Sanctified Church and Rev. H. A. Boyd Assistant Secretary of the National Baptist Publishing Board. Revs. Ellington, Haynes and Boyd spoke very feelingly of the noble life of the deceased. Every one who knew Miss Shelton loved her. Rev. Boyd spoke of having known Miss Shelton since 1897 and of the valuable work she had done at the Publishing Plant. He stated that Dr. Boyd had great confidence in her and that she was trusted by him implicitly. Fourteen employees of the Publishing Board were present to pay their respects to this their late fellow worker.

Sleep on, our dear Miss Katie,
Rest 'neath the pretty green sod
The flowers will grow where you're sleeping,
But your spirit will rest with God.

He gave you, he took you, we'll miss you.
Your life work is ended, we know
Your spirit so gentle and lovely
Now rests on the beautiful shore.

Sleep on, our dear Miss Katie,
Life's noble deeds never die.
They greet your spirit in the judgment
When the faithful are summoned on high.

Cora Jordan-White.

Mrs. J. D. Fowler Buried.

The many friends and acquaintances of Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Fowler were shocked last week to know of the death of Mrs. Fowler at the home of her mother on the corner of 17th Ave. N. and Jefferson St. Mrs. Fowler had been ill for some time and little hope was held out for her recovery however her cheerful disposition and

the fortitude with which she bore her suffering made her friends hope that her life would be prolonged for a time. The sad intelligence of her demise was quite a shock to those who loved and knew her.

Mrs. Fowler was the wife of Dr. Fowler with offices on Jefferson St. Dr. Fowler has practiced in several of the smaller towns of Tennessee and wherever he has gone he and his estimable wife have been able to gather around them a coterie of friends. For quite a number of years Dr. Fowler has been practicing in the city and enjoyed the patronage of a large and growing number of people.

The funeral of Mrs. Fowler was held from Gay, Street Christian church and was very impressively simple. A. N. Johnson was the undertaker in charge. Mrs. Fowler leaves to mourn her loss her husband, Dr. J. D. Fowler, Mrs. Stone, her mother, Mrs. White, Sillie K. Nannie, Emma and Lee Stone, and an aunt. She also has a number of other relatives.

First Suffragan For Colored Work.

Archdeacon Russell of Lawrenceville, Virginia, Elected in Arkansas.

The churchman.

The forty-fifth annual Council of the Diocese of Arkansas, which met in St. Mark's Hope, on May 9, elected the Ven. James Solomon Russell as bishop suffragan for colored work in that diocese. Bishop-elect Russell has been archdeacon for colored work in South Virginia since 1893. He was founder and first principal of the St. Paul Normal and Industrial School. Formerly he served St. James', Sturgeonville, South Virginia, and was general missionary for the diocese.

Father A. G. Coombs in the City

The many friends of Rev. and Mrs. A. G. Coombs will be pleased to know that Father Coombs is spending his vacation in the city, while his family who reside on Seventeenth Ave. N. and Jefferson St.

As former rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Father and Mrs. Coombs endeared themselves to a host of friends and acquaintances, who regretted very much to see Rev. Coombs leave the city to take charge of a large and progressive congregation in Mobile, Ala. Mrs. Coombs remained in the city, that her daughters

might finish their education and since that time Miss Marea Coombs has been appointed as a teacher in the city school of Nashville.

The church at Mobile, which Father Coombs has had in charge for the past two years is one of the largest Episcopal congregations in the south. True to his record of former years, Rev. Coombs has stimulated the growth of this congregation and his influence for good in the growing city of Mobile is felt and appreciated. While in the city he will be the guest of friends and acquaintances who loved and profited by his Christian influence.

Notice.

To all Worthy Councilors and Past Worthy Councilors of the Court Calanthe you are called to meet at the corner of Main and 6th St., May 31. All Worthy Matrons take notice and be present at Pythian Hall on East side.

Irene Dowell, Grand Worthy Deputy.

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